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SUBJECT: LEFT CHARGES ISRAELIS ENGAGED IN ESPIONAGE IN CYPRUS

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1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. IN PAST WEEK COMMUNIST (AKEL)
AND SOCIALIST (EDEK) PARTIES HAVE RENEWED AND AMPLIFIED
CHARGES THAT ISRAELI AGENTS ARE ENGAGED IN SUBVERSION
AND ESPIONAGE IN CYPRUS. SECRETARY GENERALS OF THESE
TWO PARTIES LAUNCHED ANTI-ISRAEL DIATRIBES IN HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES (WHERE THEY ARE BOTH MEMBERS) MAY 11,
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SAYING THEY HAD LISTS OF ISRAELI AGENTS OPERATING IN
CYPRUS. SUBSEQUENT PRESS REPORTS INDICATE LISTS WERE
HANDLED OVER TO GOC MINISTER OF INTERIOR, WHO PASSED THEM
ON TO POLICE.

2. LEFTIST PRESS HAS RUN SERIES OF STORIES ALLEGING
ISRAELIS, IN COOPERATION WITH CIA AND WESTERN

EUROPEAN INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES, ESPECIALLY WEST GERMAN, ARE ENGAGING IN SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES. PURPOSES OF THESE ACTIVITIES ARE SAID TO BE TO PROMOTE U.S./NATO INTERESTS IN CYPRUS AND TO DAMAGE CYPRUS' FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH ARAB COUNTRIES. END UNCLASSIFIED.

3. BEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. COMMENT: WHILE BOTH AKEL AND EDEK HAVE GENERAL IDEOLOGICAL REASONS FOR ATTACKING ISRAEL, AKEL ALSO HAS A PARTICULAR AND TIMELY GRUDGE AGAINST THAT COUNTRY. A JOURNALIST OF THE CYPRIOT COMMUNIST NEWSPAPER HARAVGHI IS CURRENTLY ON TRIAL IN TEL AVIV, CHARGED WITH ESPIONAGE. THIS FACT MAY CONTRIBUTE TO THE INCREASED TEMPO AND TONE OF COMMUNIST ATTACKS ON ISRAEL. END LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. END COMMENT.
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